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Vote for Lee, Quinn Tuesday!

REPORT

To Our Reader - Owners

MAYOR ATTAWAY

The inauguration of Floyd Attaway as Mayor of Hayward this week was an event which labor people enjoyed attending. Brother Attaway mastered the art of soft speaking as a boy in Alabama, but Hayward people know that somewhere he learned how to work hard, and if need be, to hit hard.

Attaway as an officer of Hayward Culinary 823, as a delegate to the Central Labor Council and a member of its Investigating Committee, and as an active COPE worker, has made a reputation for himself as typifying the kind of labor people needed in politics.

Attaway is no Cliff Rishell, if you get the delicate suggestion.

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AS FOR RISHELL...

Cliff Rishell is one of those card-carriers who likes to let people know—if it's safe company in which to let such a thing be known—that he's a labor man, yes sir.

But no matter how good the union is which issues a card originally, if it's carried and thumbed long enough by some people in politics, it becomes a battered deuce. And that's what Rishell has done to his card. Well, Floyd Attaway has a card that is an ace.

When the Hayward City Council was asked to take a stand against Proposition 18, the vote was 100% against the scheme to wreck unions. And Floyd Attaway, you can be sure, had a lot to do with that.

When the Mayor and Council of Oakland were asked to take that stand, what happened? One labor man answered this by saying, "Rishell and Oakland—well, you know!" He seemed to imply there was some shadow Towering over Rishell and Oakland, or rather, over the Oakland City Council.

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NEXT TUESDAY!

Next Tuesday the Oakland voters have their chance to improve things on their City Council.

But Hayward, down in the part where the county is growing the fastest, has already improved, and nothing could prove it more emphatically than the elevation of Floyd Attaway to the Mayoralty.

NEW CLC DELEGATES seated April 13 are James R. Garrett of Technical Engineers 39 and Alfred Birkowski of Ink and Roller Makers 5.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

Union label chiefs visit Labor Council

Joseph Lewis, secretary-treasurer of the AFLCIO Union Label and Service Trades Department, officially invited all of Alameda County this week to the AFLCIO Union-Industries Show.

Lewis and three aides visited the Central Labor Council meeting Monday night. The show will be held in San Francisco May 1-6.

It was a homecoming for Lewis, who was born in Centerville and helped organize Stove Mounters in southern Alameda

WARNING TO MERCHANTS

See editorial on page 8 about phony ad solicitors for the AFLCIO Union-Industries Show in San Francisco May 1-6.

County in the '30's. Lewis later became president of the Stove Mounters International Union.

Lewis said: "It's a show that no union member in this part of the United States should miss."

The show is free, and the estimate of \$80,000 worth of giveaways is "conservative," Lewis told labor council delegates.

Lewis asked all local unions to mail tickets to their entire memberships.

"When they see that show, they'll realize what the organized labor movement means to them."

Lewis then suggested that unions close their offices Friday, May 1, the first day of the show, for the opening festivities, when guests will include Governor Edmund G. Brown and William F. Schnitzler, secretary-treasurer of the AFLCIO.

Commenting on the large attendance and spirit at the labor council meeting, Lewis concluded:

"It's very likely that four or five years hence the (Union Label) show could come to Oakland, California."

75 get "the word" at shop stewards' session

The importance of their role was summed up concisely to 75 pupils at the Central Labor Council's first annual Shop Steward's Training Session by Sam Kagel, attorney and arbitrator.

"Stop the beef the first time it happens and over half of the cases never go to arbitration," Kagel said.

The successful session was held Friday night and all day Saturday in the Labor Temple. A more complete report, including remarks by other speakers, will appear in next week's East Bay Labor Journal.



WEARS LABEL—Governor Edmund G. Brown receives a set of gold union label cuff links and an invitation to the AFLCIO Union-Industries Show in San Francisco May 1 to 6 from Joseph Lewis, secretary-treasurer of the AFLCIO Union Label and Service Trades Department. The cuff links were presented to the governor by Lewis in Washington, D. C., recently as a souvenir of the Union Label and Service Trades Department's 50th anniversary year.

Bartalini: is this the big push (for 7 hr. day) or just talk?

Some unions give only "lip service" to the drive for a shorter work week, Chester R. Bartalini, president of the State Council of Carpenters, charged last week.

"Three years ago, the Carpenters started a drive for a 35-hour week. Most unions gave only lip service," Bartalini told the Building Trades Council.

Bartalini, a delegate from Carpenters 36, accused at least one union of being still insincere in its shorter work week goals.

The drive three years ago did help settle the Carpenters' contract. But Bartalini said he opposes using such demands as intentional "trading bait."

"The five basic crafts got together and agreed to settle the hours clause first, and not one did," according to Bartalini.

Bartalini said this year some of the basic crafts have contracts with the Associated General Contractors running until 1963, with openings only for wages or other specific clauses this year.

The Carpenters' contract, however, is open on all issues.

According to Bartalini, automation is taking its toll and the building trades "will have to face this issue." Men are out of work because of automation in the building trades. Therefore, a drive for a shorter work week is necessary.

"We are all getting to be rock-

ing chair business agents," Bartalini stated.

The BTC debate started when Anders Larsen of Carpenters 36 asked if the shorter work week would be discussed at a meeting of the Advisory Council of the State Building and Construction Trades Council in San Francisco April 24.

Lewis Wilson, also of Carpenters 36, said one craft can't get a shorter work week without the support of the others.

J. L. Childers, BTC business representative, stated that the shorter work week could be placed on the agenda for the San Francisco meeting by an affiliated local.

Joe Pruss of Sheet Metal Workers 216, BTC president, said his union has asked its affiliates to sign only one-year contracts for this reason.

Earl Risley of Carpenters 36 emphasized the necessity of finding out if all trades in Alameda County are willing to work toward a shorter week.

If so, Risley said, they can show the rest of the state a united front. Risley pointed out that the mud crafts and Painters already have shorter work weeks.

Marvin Edwards of Painters 127 replied that the Painters would like to see other crafts get shorter hours.

He said the Painters are continually being pushed by em-

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COPE endorses King, Votruba, Mrs. Brumer

Oakland's city election next Tuesday has been marked by one of the quietest campaigns in recent years, despite the importance of the issues and the large number of candidates.

In a concerted effort to unseat two key members of the Oakland Tribune-City Hall crowd, COPE, the Alameda County AFLCIO's political arm, has endorsed only two candidates for City Council.

They are Edward O. (Pete) Lee, District 1, and John F. Quinn, District 3.

COPE made no endorsement

HERE ARE COPE-ENDORSED CANDIDATES FOR APRIL 21

Labor's Alameda County COPE (Council on Political Education) has endorsed the following in next Tuesday's Oakland city election:

City Council — Edward O. (Pete) Lee, District 1, and John F. Quinn, District 3.

Board of Education — Mrs. June Brumer, Office No. 1; the Rev. Matthew J. Votruba, Office No. 3, and John J. King, Office No. 4.

City Auditor - Controller — Martin Huff.

(Clip this out and take it to the polls when you vote!)

for Districts 5 or 7 or the councilman-at-large post, all of which are at stake.

Except for the at-large job, candidates must live in the district they seek to represent. But all councilmen are elected by the entire city's voters. There are 21 council candidates, and several runoffs are anticipated.

Lee, a history and French teacher at Oakland High School, is a delegate to the Central Labor Council from Teachers 771.

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Oakland gives governor enthusiastic reception

Governor Edmund G. Brown got an enthusiastic reception from an audience of about 500 Democrats and Republicans, labor and business leaders Monday noon in Oakland.

As part of a two-day whirlwind "report to the people," Brown summarized progress on his legislative program, including FEPC, water, taxes, a consumer counsel, installment selling controls, an economic development agency and labor legislation.

The governor also announced creation of a new committee on problems of retirement and pensions. He named Arthur Ross, director of the University of California's Institute of Industrial Relations, as chairman.

HOW TO BUY

Charges high for burner parts

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

The recent discussion here of oil burners and tanks has brought a number of letters seeking additional information. In getting more facts, this department found that some dealers are charging homeowners excessively for repair parts. We also learned that oil-tank failure is even more widespread than we at first realized, but our own previous suggestion for solving it was grossly inadequate.

Readers showed particular interest in the special combustion heads which make a high-pressure oil burner comparable in economy to the low-pressure ones. Low-pressure burners are relatively cheap to fuel but often complicated to repair.

In general, homeowners are paying heavy prices for oil-burner repairs these days, not only because of high charges for parts but because servicemen tend to replace entire components instead of repairing them. Pumps are a frequent oil-burner repair need. If the bellows goes, servicemen tend to replace the whole pump for \$35 to \$40 instead of just the bellows at a cost of \$1. Not only may they unnecessarily sell you another pump, but they tend to charge high for it. Replacement pumps cost them only about \$15.

Because of the high charges for parts nowadays, it may be worthwhile buying a complete service contract that includes parts, rather than one that covers only labor. For while dealers in a locality tend to charge the same price for the oil itself, except for discounts for cash and for supplying large 550-gallon tanks, there is a growing competition in service contracts. The tendency now is to offer homeowners more service benefits, and sometimes a full contract covering parts costs for only \$10

to \$15 more a year than the limited contracts.

Corrosion of oil tanks is another and growing problem. The small tanks for home use are made of relatively thin steel. Hence even a moderate amount of corrosion can cause perforation. Generally the tanks made before World War II lasted ten or fifteen years. But in recent years the problem has become more serious. Some areas, like Chicago, have had so many tank failures that oil dealers and manufacturers have called special regional meetings to seek solutions.

For one thing, there's more water in oil nowadays. The big volume of oil business these days sometimes doesn't give water in distributors' tanks and barges a chance to settle or be flushed out. Moreover, additives in modern oils even clean up the film which used to protect tanks. Inferior steels in modern tanks also increase the problems.

The only simple, sure way to protect your oil tank is to use an effective corrosion inhibitor. Tom Ross, Petroleum Division Manager of Central Cooperatives, and Al Larson, Technical Specialist for Midland Cooperatives, both point out that our previous suggestion that calcium chloride can absorb the water in tanks is not a satisfactory solution. Calcium chloride will take up water but itself can corrode steel. While sodium nitrite can be used to neutralize the effect of the calcium chloride, the preferred material recommended by one of the largest oil companies is a mixture of sodium nitrite and borax. This material first alkalizes the water and then puts a protective film on the affected part of the tank.

Keeping brass bright & clean

According to department stores, brass housewares and serving pieces are popular as gifts. Just in case the gleam has begun to disappear from these gifts, the following tips on brass care may be helpful.

If the brass has an antique finish, rub it with boiled linseed oil or pure lemon juice. Other brass items can be cleaned with commercial brass cleaners or a paste of rotten-stone and boiled linseed oil. In the latter case, wipe off the paste with a cloth moistened in boiled linseed oil and then polish the piece with a dry cloth.

Another effective cleaner is a paste of whiting and denatured alcohol. After application, wash, rinse and dry the piece carefully.

Turkish towel was a turban

It took a trip to Turkey many years ago for the common terry towel to become known as "Turkish." In 1848, the first machine-made terry towels were shunned by the British. One entrepreneur shipped them to Turkey, where the natives wound and draped them around their heads for rakish-looking turbans.

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Balanced play

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Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

ANTHONY ("TOUGH TONY") Anastasia, vice president of the International Longshoremen's Association which years ago was kicked out of the old AFL on the ground that it was too "tough" a union, lately said in Brooklyn that the 500 women in his local are really tough to handle at a union meeting.

There are 500 women and 600 men in the local; the women work at sorting and packaging in the packinghouses and sugar terminals along the Brooklyn docks; the men in the cooking rooms or on the receiving docks.

At a recent meeting a 5% across the board offer by the employers was discussed; this would bring the women's weekly wage to \$103, the men's to \$112.

The handful of men at the meeting were satisfied with the offer, but the 500 women who crowded in the hall, said Tough Tony, "yelled, shouted, pointed their fingers at me. It was terrible. What could I do? I couldn't holler at them—I had to watch my language."

TOUGH TONY was in such despair that finally he decided to put the matter to a vote to be conducted by the Honest Ballot Association.

To anyone familiar with the ways of that international union when it held the waterfront here, the idea of the Honest Ballot Association being called in to conduct a local union election is, to say the least, interesting.

Just shows what women can do when they get in and really function as union members.

THAT UNION, the International Longshoremen's Association, is now seeking to affiliate again with the main body of labor, on the ground that it has reformed.

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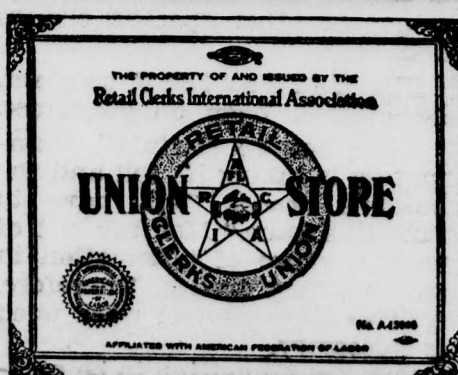
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Gilberg receives CLC's community services honor

Sol Gilberg received the Central Labor Council's 1959 Community Services Award Wednesday night in recognition of his efforts to make Alameda County a better place in which to live.

Gilberg was honored at the Labor council's annual dinner for graduates of its union counselor's course.

The course is given under supervision of Art Hellender, assistant secretary and director of the council's Community Services Program.

About 65 union members completed the eight-week course on community agencies, unemployment benefits, workmen's compensation, disability insurance and vocational rehabilitation.

The purpose of the course is to train those charged with counseling union members who have personal, family or financial problems.

Guest speaker was Dr. Milton Chernin, dean of the University of California's School of Social Welfare.

Organized labor goes to college

If your younger generation reports that a union business agent addressed his class at Oakland Junior College from now on, don't be too surprised.

Central Labor Council representatives met recently with about a dozen instructors and pledged to take part in courses in the social sciences and other related fields where labor's viewpoint is important.

The meeting was arranged by Virginia Smith, director of community services at the University of California's Institute of Industrial Relations.

Labor Council representatives attending included President Russ Crowell, assistant secretary Art Hellender and Dick Groulx, John Kinnick of Office Employees 29 and Harris Wilkin of Food Clerks 870.

IBEW 595 endorses Oakland Proposition 1

IBEW Local 595 is on record as endorsing Proposition 1 on the April 21 Oakland city ballot.

The union voted the endorsement at its March 27 meeting. Proposition 1 would extend retirement benefits to certain surviving dependents of retired city employees, other than policemen and firemen, and would provide similar benefits to survivors of employees who die while still employed though qualified for retirement.

Owen Birch retiring after 21 years as Boilermakers' secty

When Owen Birch retires as financial - corresponding secretary and treasurer of Boilermakers 10 this week after 21 years in office, he will have a lot of memories to look back upon.

Birch migrated from his native England to Canada in 1905. He joined Local 191 in Victoria that year and worked as a boilermaker-riveter until 1938, when he became a union officer.

In 1957, Birch received his 45-year pin.

Birch came to Oakland in 1923 and joined old Local 39. He worked at General Engineering Works and Moore Drydock Co. At the time Birch was first elected, Local 39 had "45 to 50 members in good standing."

Local 39 merged with Welders 689 in April, 1958. Then Birch's union had 1,800 members. Now the combined union, Local 10, has about 3,300.

Local 39-10 hasn't stood still geographically, either. Birch recalls that the office was "a little hole in the wall" near 7th and Clay Streets in 1938.

It subsequently moved to 562 11th Street, near 11th and Clay. In 1942, Local 39 packed up its

file cabinets once more and occupied new quarters at 1105 Franklin Street, at 11th.

The next move was to 5th and Broadway, but the local was forced to change its address again when the Eastshore freeway was built. It took possession of its present modern building at 750 - 14th Street in 1951.

Birch was 71 last January, but he says he is not retiring because of his age, but on account of poor health.

What is he going to do? "I'm just going to get into the car and ride - get some fresh air."

Birch says his wife, Ruth, will have to do the driving because of his heart condition.

He may even go to England to visit his 86-year-old brother.

"When I first came over, it took 12 days. Now it takes five on the Queen-Mary."

Birch says he doesn't think his doctor will let him fly on the jets because of his heart though.

Birch is being succeeded by Joe Nobriga, who was executive secretary of Local 689 before the merger and has been assistant business agent since.

7,000 at jobless conference

WASHINGTON - AFLCIO leaders have focused a nationwide spotlight on severe unemployment in many parts of the United States and their massive unemployment conference.

More than 7,000 workers, a large percentage of them out of work, poured into Washington in 35 chartered buses, six special trains and at least 100 autos last week.

They set off a powerful drive to "Get America Back to Work" and lashed at the Administration for brushing off the jobless problem.

After hearing labor and Congressional speakers, the unemployed workers adopted resolutions demanding:

1. That Congress "wait no longer for Administration leadership but begin immediate consideration of measures which will get America back to work."

2. That the President "call into immediate session a conclave of leaders of industry, labor, agriculture and government, instructed to map a program that will keep America at work and abolish suffering caused by recurring mass unemployment."

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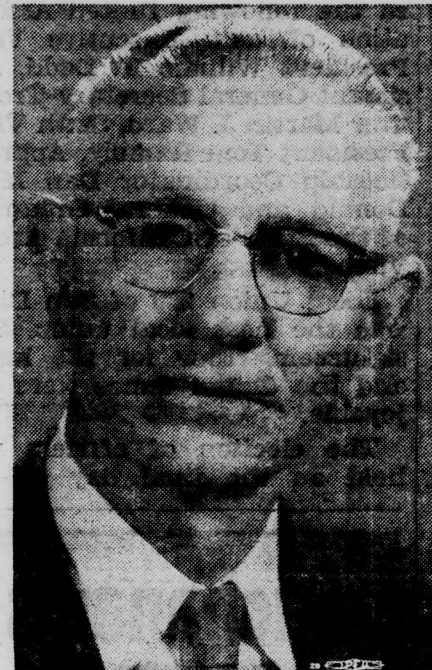
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Attaway becomes first Hayward mayor from organized labor

Floyd Attaway, business representative and health and welfare administrator for Hayward Culinary 823, became mayor of Hayward Tuesday night.

Attaway, a Hayward City Council member since 1956, says that, to the best of his knowledge, he is the city's first mayor to come from the ranks of organized labor.

Out of seven present councilmen, however, five received la-



MAYOR FLOYD ATTAWAY

bor endorsements when elected, according to Attaway.

Before his election to the council, Attaway served on the Hayward Planning Commission for three years. He has been active in the United Crusade, Boy Scouts, Little League baseball and other Hayward civic affairs.

Attaway is a member of the Alameda County Central Labor Council's Investigating Committee, an executive board member of Alameda County COPE and was chairman of Southern Alameda County COPE until the merger.

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Local 18 plans anniversary meet

Building Service Employees Union, Local 18, will begin its 25th year as a chartered union Friday, April 24.

Officers and committee members will be installed at a meeting at 7 p.m. that evening in the union's meeting hall 1609 Webster Street.

Guests of honor will be charter members, first officers and former office employees of Local 18.

Others invited include George Hardy, vice president of the Building Service International Union; Robert S. Ash, executive secretary of the Alameda County Central Labor Council, and Richard Groulx and Arthur Hellender, CLC assistant secretaries.

Officers of Local 18 have requested all members who can to attend.

Miller to Las Vegas

Congressman George P. Miller, a member of the House of Representatives Science and Astronautics Committee, is attending the first World Congress of Flight in Las Vegas.

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Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

The Thirty-Ninth Convention of the California Pipe Trades Council was held April 10, 11 and 12 in San Diego, California. This council represents thirty-six Pipefitter and Plumber local unions and three district councils, representing 27,000 members in the State of California. There were eleven resolutions presented at this convention, which were acted upon by the 143 attending delegates.

The principal speakers included the following United Association officers: Executive Vice-President William T. Dodd, Assistant General Secretary-Treasurer Martin J. Ward, Sixth Vice-President Tom Hambly, Apprenticeship Coordinator Dan MacDonald and General Organizer of the State of California Archie Virtue.

Local Union 230 of San Diego was the host local union. The sightseeing tour for the ladies and the dinner dance were enjoyable.

The election of officers was held on the final day of the

convention. The results of the election were:

James Dawkins, Business Manager of Local 582 of Santa Ana, President

James Martin, Business Manager of Local 342 of Oakland, Secretary-Treasurer

Joe Mazzola, Business Manager of Local 38 of San Francisco, Vice President

Joe Walsh, Business Manager of Local 78 of Los Angeles; Paul Jones, Business Manager of Local 403 of San Luis Obispo, and William Francis, Business Manager of Local 447 of Sacramento, District Vice-Presidents.

General Organizer Archie Virtue installed the officers.

Your delegates to this convention will make their reports at the membership meeting to be held on May 7th.

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

After a few years without a watchmaker on the premises, Sanford Jewelers in San Mateo has hired a watchmaker and signed the current union agreement.

At the last meeting, President Glasser and Business Manager Allen were elected delegates to the coming International Convention being held in Washington, D. C., during the week of May 11th.

There is no question but that this will be the most important International Convention ever held.

San Francisco Membership Meeting: The next membership meeting will be held on Thursday, April 23rd, at 7:30 p.m., Native Sons Hall, 414 Mason St., San Francisco.

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JOHN CHARLES HOULIHAN HAS REPRESENTED THE TRIBUNE IN THE \$405,000 GROVER MacLEOD vs. TRIBUNE PUBLISHING CO., INC. LIBEL SUIT AND WAS REVERSED IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS IN AN ATTEMPT TO HAVE THE CASE THROWN OUT OF COURT.

He calls himself the "THINKING MAN'S COUNCILMAN", yet official government records show the following tax liens:

NOTICE OF TAX LIEN

Collector of Internal Revenue

AQ 10275 9.9-89

Filed: Alameda County Recorder, January 28, 1959

Taxable period: 1948, '49, '50, '51, '53, '54.

Total \$22,550.10

AP 127937 9.8.110.1

Taxable years: 1956-57

Total \$7,823.99

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT? DID YOU READ ANY OF THIS IN THE TRIBUNE? WHY NOT?

ELECT

Robert E. Sarvey

WHO THINKS AND ACTS FAIRLY FOR ALL OF THE PEOPLE ALL OF THE TIME!

COMMITTEE FOR ELECTION OF ROBERT E. SARVEY
Chairman: Osborne Pearson

Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAS

There will be a meeting of the business agents in Fresno, Monday and Tuesday for our quarterly confab on a statewide basis. I'll try to clue you next week.

You have gotten letters from the H & W Plan on dual choice coverage, Blue Cross or Kaiser. If you are one of those with private coverage in Kaiser, check carefully before transferring to Fund Coverage by Kaiser because there is a lot of difference in the plans and it can work to your disadvantage if you need to reinstate private coverage. As an opinion, if you plan to travel or need coverage now, local Blue Cross is preferred. A man with a family, however, can profit from the preventive medicine features of Kaiser's Plan if his wife has the patience to learn to use the facilities available for the family's ills.

The special meeting Friday next you should attend if possible. There will be matters from the State Convention to be voted on that will be cost items to you; necessary in my opinion, but yours to decide. Also we plan to have the endorsed candidates for City Council present for you to meet and size up and listen to for some short remarks.

Those of you who have occasion to use the Unemployment Benefits should be aware that that office has a Wednesday closing date; that is, all claims made by Wednesday are dated the Sunday previous. Motto: File by Wednesday or you might lose a week's benefit.

Steel Machinists I304

By DAVE ARCA

Good stewards are important and valuable to Unions. This is the consensus of opinion by Sam Kagel, well known attorney and arbitrator; Joe Angelo, Steelworker director of Sub-District No. 3; Richard Hackler, area director of the Communication Workers, and Dave Arca, Recording Secretary of the East Bay Machinists, Local 1304. That last one is me. Just wanted to point out that great minds do run in same channels.

The First Annual Stewards Training Session is now history. Art Hellender and Dick Groulx did a darn fine job. Wish all 1304 stewards could have received the tips and suggestions given us. While we're on the subject, if you have a good stew-

ard in your plant, consider yourself lucky. Not everyone has the intestinal fortitude and gift of analysis necessary to properly present and justify grievances. Where we have a good relationship with management, it's generally because we have competent stewards and militant members in that plant. On the other hand, negotiated conditions and benefits can be nullified if stewards are employer dominated and members are timid.

All Workman's Compensation Committeemen in 1304 shops are requested to attend the Joint Stewards Council of Saturday, April 18, at 10:30 a.m. Ed Raggio of the International will outline the proper steps for filing Workman's Compensation claims to insure the full benefits under California Law.

Paint Makers' 1101

By PETE CEREMELLO

Our meeting on April 21, 1959, will be an important meeting in many respects. The Executive Board has called for a special order of business for 8:30 p.m. It concerns the adoption or rejection of the changes in the By-Laws of District Council of Painters No. 16. THIS IS NOT A SPECIAL MEETING. The regular meeting will start at 8:00 p.m. Nominations will be open for one trustee, term 18 months.

At the Executive Board meeting it was recommended that Local No. 1101 send a full delegation to the International Convention in Cleveland, Ohio.

We have plenty of free tickets for you, your family and friends to the AFLCIO Union Industries Show, Civic Auditorium, Brooks Hall, San Francisco, May 1 through May 6, 1959 to 11 p.m. This is the greatest show on earth for free with over 300 exhibits and thousands of free prizes worth well over \$80,000 sponsored by the Union Label and Service Trades Department, AFLCIO, Washington, D. C. Make sure you, your family and friends see this worthwhile show. Call the office or write. We will mail you all the tickets you need, for free.

On the sports side it is reported that Brother Lee Stanley and wife picked up a couple of nice fish fishing from the bank at 3 mile slough. Brother Jack Woods, Financial Secretary of the Plasterers, has been really knocking 'em dead up at 3 mile slough and Santa Clara Shoals. Fishing also reported good at Broad Slough. Arrivederci.

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Broadway at 24th Street
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Minister

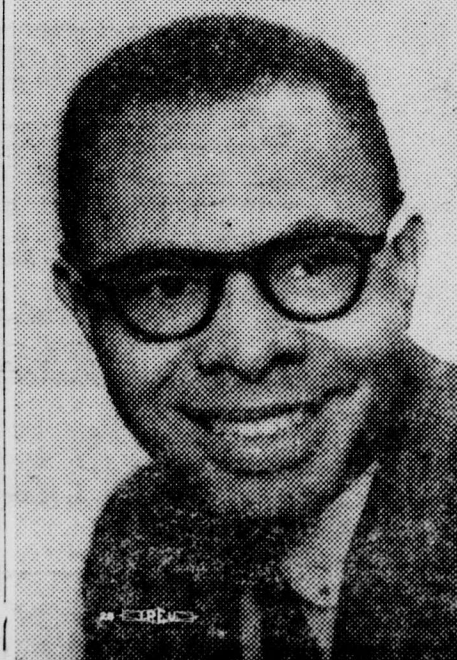
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EDWARD (PETE)

LEE

YOUR

OAKLAND CITY COUNCILMAN
DISTRICT No. 1

YOUNG • VIGOROUS
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Endorsed by Democrats and
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ELECTION: TUES. APRIL 21

WHY WORRY ABOUT DEBTS

If you have high monthly debt payments reduce them to just a single monthly payment. Home owners preferred.

Borrow Repay
\$1000 19.97 per Mo.
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Union-Industries Show in S. F. new 'greatest show on earth'

It used to be that the greatest show on earth was the circus.

But it didn't have (A) \$80,000 worth of free prizes and souvenirs, (B) displays valued at \$20 million and wasn't (C) free.

The AFLCIO Union-Industries show does, and is.

It's being held in San Francisco, for the first time, May 1 through 6, at the Civic Center's Brooks Hall.

The show is sponsored by the AFLCIO's national Union Label and Service Trades Department in a different major city each year. Union and management exhibitors demonstrate the results of employee-employer harmony in action.

Past shows have broken all attendance records in the halls in which they were held.

Last year's exhibition in Cincinnati attracted more than 300,000 persons.

Show officials expect attendance this year to be proportionately higher because of the Bay Area's strong labor movement and heavy population.

The 1959 AFLCIO Union-Industries Show marks the 50th anniversary of the AFLCIO Union Label and Service Trades Department, which has headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Governor Edmund G. Brown will officially open the show. Co-hosts are the Alameda County and San Francisco Central Labor Councils.

One and one-half million free tickets will be distributed through local unions, participating exhibitors, in central down-

town locations and at the show. The show will be open from 1 to 11 p.m. for the entire six-day period.

Main purpose of the union-industries show is to focus public attention upon the good relations that exist between AFLCIO unions and their employers, according to Joseph Lewis, secretary-treasurer of the AFLCIO's Union Label and Service Trades Department.

Another theme, according to Lewis, is the important part played by organized labor in any community and the many benefits citizens derive from peaceful labor-management relations.

The union-industries shows have been billed as the world's largest labor-management exhibition and America's greatest "give-away" bonanzas.

Items to be given away include an all-electric kitchen, live steers, gas and electric stoves, a Fiberglas boat, clothes, tons of fresh meat, thousands of cigarettes, handmade china, radios and color television sets.

Citizen committee backs Oakland Proposition 3

A Citizens Committee for the Police Charter Amendment has been organized to back Proposition 3 in the Oakland April 21 election.

The amendment would permit the Chief of Police to reassign police captains to the position of captain of inspectors in the same manner as in other divisions.

According to the citizens' committee, this is standard procedure in major cities throughout the United States and would involve no added costs.

The committee includes Robert S. Ash secretary of the Central Labor Council.

DICK GROULX, assistant Central Labor Council secretary, reporting on San Diego COPE conference: "Just because we won on Proposition 18, it's no indication our opponents mean to lie down."

HELP WANTED!!

Man for
Deputy Building Inspector
Pay Range \$495 to \$561

Requires one year building inspector experience or three years of varied and responsible construction experience involving supervision.

Maximum age 55

Apply Oakland Civil Service
Dept. Room 100, City Hall
Oakland, California

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VOTE YES ON 2

ADJUST the salary for the position of Mayor to that of comparable positions in government and private industry.

CONTINUE to attract top qualified men capable of carrying out the heavy responsibilities of Oakland's No. 1 elective office.

PROP. 2: IS ENDORSED BY: Labor . . . Veterans . . . Civic, Service, Business and Industrial Organizations.

SPONSORED BY OAKLAND CIVIC COMMITTEE FOR PROPOSITION 2

HENRY J. KAISER JR., General Chairman

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Bill Buchanan	Enrico DellOsso	Jules Gilbert	Albert Lobello	Margo Marquossian	Hugh Rutledge	Frank J. Youell
				Mrs. Hazel Maasdam	Mrs. Jean Simas	Mrs. Violet Zeno

We labor representatives hereby endorse Proposition No. 2, which provides an equitable salary adjustment for the position of Mayor of Oakland:

J. S. Miller
Financial Secretary, Local Union 127

Fred N. Irvin
Secretary-Treasurer 588

Elwood F. Heaney
Business Representative Local 78

Les Benham
Bus. Rep. Bakery Drivers 432

C. F. Roach
President Local 78

William York
Secretary-Treasurer Local 78

Earl Moore
Secretary, O.T.U. No. 36

Walter J. Bowie
Business Representative Local 78

S. L. Thornton
Butchers No. 120

Warning issued: no solicitations on ads authorized

Joseph Lewis, director of the Union - Industries Show, has warned businessmen and unions against unethical advertising gimmicks which may be launched in the name of the show.

Unauthorized solicitations should be reported, Lewis said. We frankly want to promote all goods and services produced by union workers," Lewis declared.

"I would, however, like to stress the fact that our Union-Industries show is not an advertising 'Gimmick'."

"Although we realize that the companies participating in this huge show, alongside and in co-operation with our AFLCIO unions, obtain thusly the finest type of advertising at very low cost, the idea of the Union-Industries Show is primarily to offer an opportunity for the public to see labor and management working harmoniously together and become more aware of the important crafts, skills and services made possible by union members."

The Union Label and Service Trades Department of the AFLCIO publishes no ad books, programs or special editions in connection with the show or any of its other functions, Lewis said.

Nothing is sold or offered for sale at the show.

Lewis asks any unions or employers who are solicited for such advertising to contact show headquarters at UNDERhill 1-2694 in the San Francisco Labor Temple, or report the incident to the Alameda County or San Francisco Central Labor Councils, co-hosts.

TAPE RECORDING statements made to COPE by candidates was suggested by Robert S. Ash, executive secretary of the Central Labor Council. Ash was reporting on a San Diego COPE conference.

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ELECT

TO
Oakland Board of
Education

JOHN J. KING

DIRECTOR No. 4

MRS. JUNE BRUMER

DIRECTOR No. 1

MATTHEW J. VOTRUBA

DIRECTOR No. 3

ENDORSED BY C.O.P.E.

Vote . . . April 21

Paid Political Advertisement



Rep. Cliff Wixson, retired supervisor, and former Oakland assemblyman, Chairman of Civic Committee for Proposition 1, recommends a "Yes" vote and approval of the humane proposal on the April 21 ballot.

Be sure to vote Tuesday in city— school election

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He is a graduate of the University of California, majoring in political science and government.

Quinn is a business representative for Bartenders 52 and former president of the Central Labor Council. He has had a quarter of a century's experience in labor-management relations.

In the Board of Education race, COPE endorsed Mrs. June L. Brumer, Office No. 1; the Rev. Matthew J. Votruba, Office No. 2, and John J. King, Office No. 4. The three are running as a slate.

King, incumbent president of the Board of Education, is unopposed. He is a grand lodge representative for the International Association of Machinists, AFL-CIO.

Mrs. Brumer is an attorney and housewife and member of both the New York and California state bars. She holds degrees in law, political science and economics.

Votruba has been pastor of the Mills Terrace Christian Church for the past eight years. A graduate of Drake University and the University of Chicago, Votruba has been active in church, youth and civic affairs in Oakland.

Two other members of the Board of Education are also unopposed—and also without COPE endorsements.

COPE has endorsed Martin Huff, incumbent City Auditor-Controller, for reelection, even though he is unopposed. No COPE endorsements were voted for four propositions on the Oakland ballot.

The runoff election is May 19.

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CAMPBELL
for
COUNCILMAN
Third District



DO YOU HAVE MONEY
TO BURN?
THEN WHY PAY MORE
FOR AUTO INSURANCE.
INVESTIGATE BEFORE
YOU BUY, CALL

BEN GOLDFARB
& ASSOCIATES
Lockhaven 3-8900

CLARENCE N.
COOPER
MORTUARIES

"Built by Personal
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Main Office
FRUITVALE AVE. AT EAST
SIXTEENTH STREET
Telephone KEllog 3-4114

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EIGHTY-NINTH AVE.
Telephone TRinidad 3-4343

Bartalini: is this the big push (for 7 hr. day) or just talk?

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players to return to an eight-hour day.

NEW CONTRACTOR GIMMICK

Charles Roe of Hayward Carpenters 1622 asked delegates to report on all new subcontracts because of the operating practices of a contractor new to this area.

Roe said the contractor in question sets up dummy corporations for all subcontracts. Thus, building trades unions would have little recourse of any anti-union practices occurred on one of his jobs.

S. P. YARD DISPUTE

Business Representative Childers reported that a dispute between the Maintenance of Way Employees and railroad unions on a \$100,000 job in the S. P. yards at the foot of Pine Street had been referred to Richard J. Gray, president of the Building and Construction Trades Department.

Gray has submitted the dispute to AFL-CIO President George Meany and the AFL-CIO Executive Board.

TEXTILE-MILLWRIGHTS

Also referred to the AFL-CIO, Childers said, was a dispute between the Millwrights and the Textile Workers at National Carpeting Division, 1091 Calcot Pl.

The Textile Workers have agreed that, in the future, all building work at the plant would

be done by building trades members, according to Childers.

URBAN RENEWAL

A letter from Brother Gray, president of the Building and Construction Trades Department, urged the council and all affiliates to write local congressmen, urging a "yes" vote on S. 57, the housing bill, as reported by the House Banking and Currency Committee.

The bill would provide a broad federal housing program, including urban renewal, slum clearance and public housing.

As a result of Oakland's urban renewal program, Childers and Pruss said, the largest apartment house in the city's history, 114 units, is being built in Clinton Park.

Al Thoman of Carpenters 36 said he has been informed another apartment house, as large or larger, also will be constructed.

MOUNTJOY APPOINTED

Hayward Painters 1178 informed the council that Brother Wiley J. Mountjoy has been appointed to fill the unexpired term of Charles Bethel, who is on leave as financial secretary until June.

BTC AGREEMENTS

Signed BTC agreements were read by John Davy, secretary, for Gene Carpenter, general contractor; the Howard Co. and the Red Feather Construction Co.

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RETURN . . .

ERNEST A.
ROSSI

Councilman
AT LARGE

Veteran - Businessman

VOTE TUESDAY, APRIL 21

Former Park Director and Oakland City Councilman



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When It Effects Our Schools—
Be Independent in Your Voting!

Re-Elect
INCUMBENT

MARJORIE M.
HIRSCHLER

SCHOOL DIRECTOR No. 1 AT THE
PRIMARY ELECTION APRIL 21
EXPERIENCED! CAPABLE!

DEDICATED TO THE BEST INTERESTS OF YOUR
CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

—BE SURE TO VOTE APRIL 21—

Non-Partisan School Committee

Otto H. Hieb, Chairman

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He led the fight for Oakland's
Urban Renewal and Redevelopment
program, to provide

- More Construction jobs
- New Industrial Payrolls

Independent • Experienced
Compare . . . Consider . . . Retain

FOR COUNCILMAN
DISTRICT No. 7 (Unexpired Term)

FOR COUNCILMAN
DISTRICT No. 7 (Full Term)

John Charles HOULIHAN

INCUMBENT

ALL UNION members have been asked to distribute literature for COPE-endorsed candidates starting at 10 a.m. Sunday. Meet at the Labor Temple; 17th Assembly District Democratic Headquarters, 810 - 14th Street, or the Food Clerks Hall, 6537 Foothill Blvd.

Berkley and labor

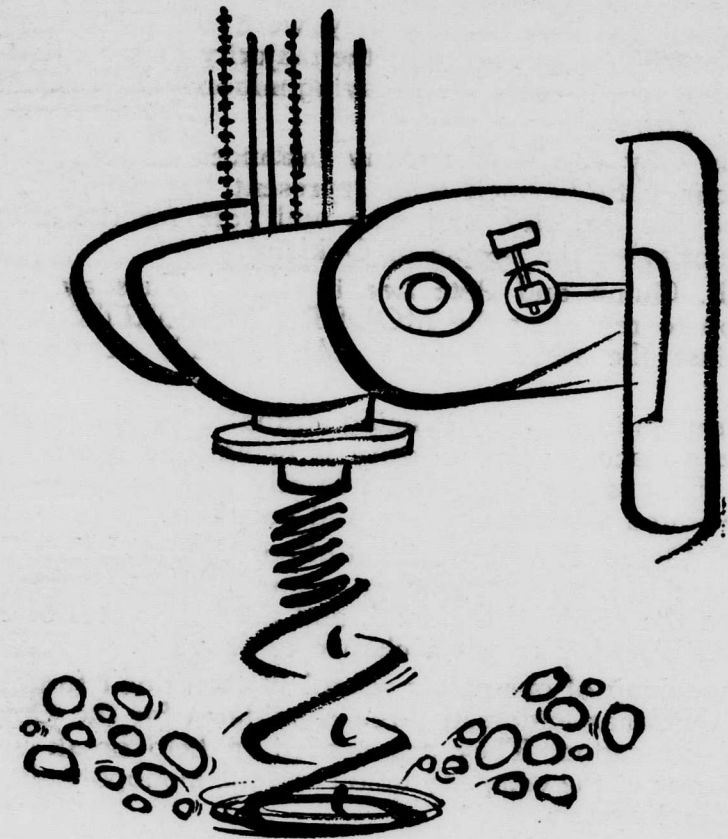
Tom Berkley, candidate for councilman-at-large, has a good labor background dating back to his pre-school days, according to his supporters.

At U. C., Berkley helped organize and walked picket lines in the "Fair Bear" movement. He worked four years as a longshoreman, warehouseman, chipper, caulker and shipfitter.

MORE information on the Union-Industries Show will be found on page 6.



Old hole-diggers
agree . . . P G & E has
a better way



...to keep gas
and electricity cheap
in California

Our mechanical drills churn out a 6-foot pole-hole in 15 minutes or less! And with 40,000 holes to dig each year, this saves thousands of hours and dollars. Efficiencies like this help keep gas and electricity cheap in California. Mighty important since you're using them more every year. (The average home today has 50% more appliances than 10 years ago.) As you live better with low-cost energy, count on us to keep it a bargain.



P. G. and E. customers pay 33¢ less
Folks in 23 leading U.S. cities pay an average of \$1.33 for
gas and electricity that cost P. G. and E. customers just \$1.

P. G. and E.
Pacific Gas and Electric Company

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East Bay LABOR JOURNAL



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1622 East Twelfth Street Phones: ANdover 1-3981, 3982
R. L. BURGESS, Editor
34th Year, No. 3 April 17, 1959

Quinn and Lee represent majority of citizenship

There are a great many candidates for places on the Oakland City Council in the election next Tuesday, but labor's Council on Political Education (COPE) has endorsed just two of them.

It is to be hoped that all labor people eligible to vote Tuesday will remember at the polls that these two backed by labor are:

John F. Quinn and Edward O. (Pete) Lee.

Labor needs, and Oakland needs, men on the City Council who understand the majority of the people of Oakland, who know what that majority is thinking and feeling, and who are not mere stooges for a monopoly newspaper.

Just last November, the great majority of the people of Oakland voted against Proposition 18. Not all members of that great majority were members of labor unions. No, they were simply citizens who knew that labor unions are to be accepted as part of American life, a welcome and needed part of it. But Mayor Rishell and most of the City Councilmen lived in terror of the Tower and were so bluffed by the shoutings and threats of Bill Knowland of the Tower, then candidate for Governor on an openly anti-labor ticket, that these City Councilmen did not dare to take a stand against No. 18.

They knew that the majority of the citizens of Oakland would turn down No. 18, but they were not in their places as City Councilmen to represent the majority of the citizens of Oakland, but to represent the decaying minority interests of the Knowland Tower.

This is only one of the many instances of the need for men on our City Council who represent the majority, who understand the majority, and who will vote for the interests of the majority of the people of Oakland.

John F. Quinn and Pete Lee if elected Tuesday can be counted on to represent the MODERN MAJORITY in Oakland against the MONOPOLY MINORITY of our body politic.

Modernness in this city is being strangled by the monopoly newspaper's machine; the majority is being held down by the minority. That is the issue stated briefly and sharply—and it should be stated and felt sharply, and voted on!

John F. Quinn, former president of our Central Labor Council, and Pete Lee, an able teacher in our public school system, understand the needs of Oakland, and need the votes of every labor voter Tuesday to get a chance to prove it.

And speaking of our public school system, don't forget that labor's COPE has endorsed three candidates for the Oakland Board of Education. They are needed to help break up the ruling alliance of the company union and the monopoly minority in our school system.

Label Show has no ad solicitors

On page 6 of this issue of East Bay Labor Journal will be found a press release issued by Secretary-Treasurer Joseph Lewis of the AFLCIO Union Label and Service Trades Department on the policy being followed in preparing for the big AFLCIO Union Industries Show in San Francisco May 1-6.

Lewis makes it plain that there are no ad books, programs, or special editions of any sort in connection with this show and that in fact nothing is sold or offered for sale at this show. The show itself is its own best advertising of what it is union labor wishes to advertise, that is, goods and services produced by union workers.

If any snakes, sharks, skunks, weasels or other vermin show up anywhere claiming that they are authorized by the show or by labor to sell any advertising in any book, program, special edition, placard, broadside, throw-away or brochure, promptly put them down as snakes, sharks, skunks, weasels or other vermin of the jungle. That's plain speaking, but the San Francisco and Alameda County Labor Councils, co-sponsors of this great show, are entitled to speak plainly in this connection.

Anyone approached by solicitors for advertising, claiming to represent the show, can call up the show headquarters in the San Francisco Labor Temple, UNderhill 1-2694; or the Alameda County Central Labor Council at HIgate 4-6510 and get confirmation of what we've said.

THE STATES, says George Meany, will never raise their unemployment benefits without Federal action. That's the proper answer to President Eisenhower's mumbling about not intruding on the rights of the States.

'How About Cleaning Up Your Side?'



OAKLAND CITED AMONG THE ONE-PAPER TOWNS

Richard P. Goldman in an article, "Our Disappearing Newspapers," published in a recent New Leader, twice mentions the Oakland situation. Following is part of his article:

The recent demise of the Cincinnati Times-Star and New Orleans Item brings to a head a situation that has been developing in the newspaper business for over forty years. With each succeeding year the number of competitive major metropolitan dailies declines, and the number of cities with only one paper or with two papers under one ownership increases.

Since 1950 ten major newspapers have closed their doors: New York Sun, Oakland Post-Enquirer, St. Louis Star-Times, Jersey Observer, Washington Times Herald, Los Angeles News, Brooklyn Eagle, Boston Post, Cincinnati Times-Star and New Orleans Item. Six of the ten had been in existence for over seventy-five years, and one, the Brooklyn Eagle, had won a Pulitzer Prize for meritorious public service only six years before its death. Also during this period the Atlanta Constitution was purchased by the Journal, creating a monopoly situation in Atlanta, the Cincinnati Enquirer was purchased by Scripps-Howard's Post, the Philadelphia News was bought by the Inquirer and the Chicago Sun-Times took over the Chicago Daily News. . . .

The startling development of the 1950s is that cities of 100,000 population are no longer a significant yardstick. New Orleans and Cincinnati, the most recent monopoly cities, both have populations of over 500,000. The list of other major monopoly cities with populations between 240,000 and 525,000 is impressive. It includes Minneapolis, Kansas City, Memphis, Oakland, Louisville, San Diego, Rochester (N. Y.), Atlanta, Birmingham, St. Paul, Toledo, Akron, Providence and Dayton. . . .

Most observers agree that the present increasing concentration

Long campaign

The rationality of a campaign tends to vary inversely with its length. Candidates and parties have much in common, but it is on the basis of the differences that the voters make their choice.

The sides start close together. They are driven to magnify existing differences and to invent new ones. As they draw farther apart verbally they provoke each other to greater excess.

The separation grows by geometric progression until each side approaches nonsense land. — Stinson Bullitt, in 'To Be a Politician'.

of newspaper ownership is unfortunate. Some journalists, however, feel that the disappearance of competitive newspapers, while discouraging in many ways, does lead to certain benefits. Dean Edward W. Barrett of the Columbia School of Journalism predicted, in a recent optimistic article on the future of American newspapers, that the absence of competition will produce less sensationalism in newspapers and better, more balanced news coverage. "Happily also," he added, "every newspaper will still be kept on its toes by other forms of competition—from radio and television news, from news magazines and from newspapers in nearby cities."

Editor's Note—But in Oakland Dean Barrett's optimism is misplaced. Our One Paper is sensational and does not have "better, more balanced news coverage."

His self esteem

I performed miracles during the four years 1842-46 in Amsterdam. I did what no one else has ever done and no one else could ever do.

Then I became a merchant in St. Petersburg, and no merchant was ever so accomplished or so prudent.

Then I became a traveler, but not an ordinary traveler—I was a traveler par excellence.

No other merchant in St. Petersburg has ever written a scientific work but I wrote one which was translated into four languages, a book which became the object of universal admiration.

Today I am an archaeologist, and all Europe and America are dazzled by my discovery of Troy—that Troy which the archaeologists of all countries have searched for in vain for two thousand years. — Heinrich Schliemann, founder of archaeology.

AFLCIO growth

More than one million members joined AFLCIO unions during the past year, according to AFLCIO Director of Organization John Livingston.

Livingston said that affiliated unions have won 7,344 NLRB elections involving more than 730,569 workers. The additional 300,000 workers joined unions under provisions of the Railway Labor Act and state labor board elections. — IUD Bulletin.

OPINIONS

You Write 'Em . . .
We Run 'Em!

SOME REFLECTIONS ABOUT INSURANCE

Editor, Labor Journal:

I must have missed the original letter in re insurance that brought such a soulful and self-serving letter in reply from Wm. J. Foley, who, if memory serves me well, is himself an insurance salesman and an officer of the insurance salesman's union (or is it underwriter they prefer to be called?).

So, and where would one apply for \$10,000 in insurance payable for pre-mature death or at age 65 for only \$100 annum? What magnanimous company is there that will sell that kind of policy for only \$10 per \$1,000 per year? (Ask your readers to check their policies and see what they are paying per \$1,000 for their policies.)

Would Mr. Foley be so kind as to explain why it is that when the insurance companies, those generous benefactors of mankind, sell a policy to a perfectly healthy specimen of manhood (or womanhood) they use an actuarial table that is calculated on the total risk, i. e., including every person within any age group regardless of congenital, inherent or accidental infirmities. Said actuarial table computes the cost of insurance for the average 25-year group of white males (the discrimination is not mine, but that of the insurance companies) at approximately \$7.00 per \$1000 of insurance. However, when the companies eliminate the obvious risks, the near dead and the dying, the halt and the lame, they immediately increase the odds in their favor and the true cost per \$1000 would probably drop to less than \$4.00 per \$1000. Add a few percentums for profit for the company and commission for the salesman and the \$7 figure still looks somewhat large (even the Veterans Administration charges less for the NSLI policies).

Add the fact, too, that insurance salesmen are ever attempting to burden the less informed working man with unnecessary insurance, fancy words on a piece of paper that add to the original expense of what was intended to assure income for a bereaved widow with children. Why does one almost forcibly have to remove a salesman from the premises when he attempts that greatest farce of all, selling life insurance on a non-income non-family supporting child? Will the eventual insurance money assuage grief? Will the money replace the lost income? I sure wish I had read that letter originally published in the East Bay Labor Journal, it must have been a lulu to bring such a sincere and heart-felt reply from a leader of the insurance salesmen's union.

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AUTOMATION!

When I see our White House staff, our Governors of states and other VIP's thundering along in their Pullman-like Cadillacs, I think we have come an awfully long way from Thomas Jefferson who trudged on foot to his own inaugural as President of the United States! — Senator Neuberger.

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LIVING WAGES

No business which depends for existence on paying less than living wages to its workers has any right to continue in this country. By living wages I mean more than a bare subsistence level—I mean the wages of decent living. — Franklin D. Roosevelt.